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DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 11/28/11 is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 82-84, 93, 103-104, 110, 115, 117-120 and 123-126 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claims 82-84, 93, 103-104, 110, 115, 117-120 and 123-124 are allowable over the prior art of record for at least the same reasons as indicated in the Office Actions dated 6/23/09, 11/17/09, 2/8/10, 4/7/10, 5/10/10, 7/13/10, 9/17/10, 11/15/10, 1/4/1, 3/8/11, 6/24/11 and 11/29/11. Claims 125 and 126 are dependent on independent claims 82 and 123 and are allowable over the prior art of record for at least the same reasons as claims 82 and 123.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JADE R. CHWASZ whose telephone number is

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(571)272-8199. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday 6:00 am - 3:30 pm est.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stephone B. Allen can be reached on 571-272-2434. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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